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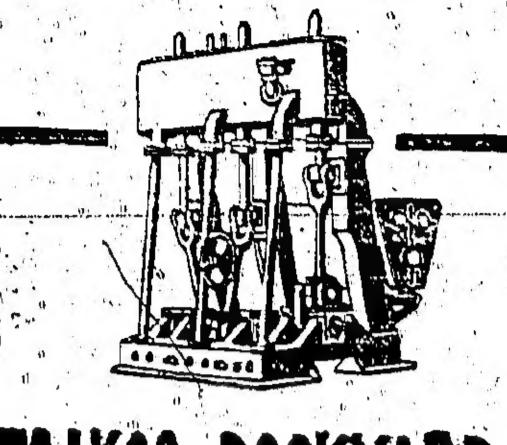
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THE GERMAN OFFENSIVE NEAR" RIGA.

Loxbox, Sept. 3. A Russian official message, by wireless, states !--

We have abandoned the Biga

region owing to the threatening situa-To the westward of Riga we refired

to the line Bilderlingshof-Medium Dalen, in the direction of Ikskul. The enemy penetrated our positions on the daegelariver and some of

our detachments voluntarily left their positions and retired to the north. We repulsed attacks with heavy losses in the direction of Foesani (Rumminia).

- GERMANTREPORT. A German official message, by wireless, states :-

We have crossed the Dvina. are progressing in dense columns and tros hastily proceeding north-east from Riga. Burning villages and forms mark the routes of the retreating Russians.

"OMINOUS NEWS.

Loxpon, Sept. 3. The German threat on Riga is now serious. The crossing of the Dvina

miles from the town, The German thrust is momentarily directed against the Riga-Petrograd

Railway. The German offensive on the Mitau Road is also ominious, as the latter is the main thoroughfure across the Tirul Marsh.

" RIGA TAKEN."

London, Sept. 3.4 A German official message, transmitted by wireless, states that Rigar has been taken.

SPECULATIONS ON POSSIBILITIES

London; Sept. 3. After the recent happenings on the Russian front, the fall of Rigu was not unexpected. It is too early to speculate on the possibilities that may arise from this, But it may be recalled that General Korniloff solemnly warned the Moscow Conference that, If the armry does not help us to hold the shores on the Gulf of Riga,

the way to Petrograd will be open. While it is recognised that, owing shrappel in the star to be to the great distance, an advance on explosion of the mer as are ing Petrograd would be normally a mud far and wide stupendous undertaking, it is possible that the German High Command splendid and the command splendid and the decided that there will never be a hearted by the first with better time to make the attempt than Flemish winter I Flemish now, when they are confronted with a melting Russian army.

Some military writers are of the opinion that the season is too late for such an operation.

The Westminster Gazette suys that the attempt would be madness with such forces as the Germans have, and the winter coming on.

Other writers point out that the German Bultic Fleet may operate the rear of the Russian army and this would probably lead to interesting rusval developments delæwhere However, almost everything depends on whether General Tcherbacheff who recently took over command on the north front, has aufficient dependable troops.

THE RUSSO-RUMANIAN FRONT.

LONDON, Sept. 8. German official, messages by wireless states:--

We repulsed the Russo Rumanians others are being reduced by the same between Susitiv and Putna valley. We have taken 1,670 prisoners since August, 28th, and six gons.

THE WESTERN FRONT ACTIVITY ON THE FRENCH FRONT.

LONDON, Sept 3.

A Pronch communique suites There was a violent artillery due! between Cerny'and Hurtebine 3 "The Germans four times attemptod attacks to the west of Hurtebise. but were everywhere checked by our

fire, An attempt at Alles Piceau falso failed. There has been great marsidery activity on the Samogneus and Beau-

mont fronts and on the right bank of the Meuse. German aerophines bombed Dunkirk and Belfort. Several Civilians were killed and injured at Dunkirk.

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GERMAN REPORT.

A German official moreover by wireless, states :- TTOO TEL An English attacks on the being brui-

Arras Road; failed, 181 and metros We reduced the kantohigminimear meri avetistare Hurtebise Farm. THE FLANDERS MUNICIPALITY

-der sol agrado. The Armies in delangario am catill floundering in mud. The enemy is having the worst experience indiving in a continual suspense author on unceasing shell fire. A wierd spectacle

is presented by the flushes of the

guns in . dayligha and cess, accompanied by HA bursting of The spirit of the Disnie

THE PROCESS OF STREET

THE RESULTS OF A MONTH LOND QIM QJ

Reuter's Correspondent at French Hendquarters states that since the beginning of the battle at Verdun. ten German Divisions have beer withdrawn on account of their losses. The enem I Was now Meen Divisions in the line on both banks of the Meuse; the election of entless German Divisions de hatthe process of exhaustion by the operations become on August 20th rais derwob 11 Since the beginning of August the enemy has been obliged to withdraw 30 Division was againg the French and British armies in Belgium.

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The first time I arrived untitle policestation as an accredited member of County Reserve Constitutionary in order record the fact that I was proceeding on back." night duty, I was impressed by solemn hush that pervaded the place, fo the hour was but 10 p.m. The uniform man on station duty came towards me on tiptoe, finger to lips. This, I thought is the divinity that hedges about police-station, the correct atmosphere for the majesty of Law. I was not quite right. Only the ground floor was official. The upper storey was domestic, and there was a sleeping baby over our heads.

prolonged experience of night thuty-ten till two or two till six, "in all sorts of weather and places. Some of my fellow constables will only go forth after dark in gouples. Like Stevenson's peasant o Fourzilhae, who refused to show him the way, they say, " Il fair noir, je ne sortiraj pas de lasporte.", It is my habit and preference to go alone. Thought without talk is pleasant and profitable. Talk without, thought, especially, for hours, is unthinkable.

Eerie at times? Very much so. beat often traverses eighty acres natural woodland by narrow and overhung paths. In a mist of earliest dawn some of the trees take on the sinister shape of the half-human trunks drawn by Arthur Rackham and Heath Robinson. You grip your ashplant tighter, gooseflesh creeps down your calves, acute tingling round your scalp. Half ashamed, you switch on your flash-lamp our com- pocket authority. I replied that I should forting and indispensable tinned lightning. (It is a niggardly shame that we should have to buy our own batteries. I suppose it would be a disciplinary offence, to go in a national procession of protest to the Home-Office.)

That ashplant, which replaces the combersome truncheon of insufficient." reach" is good company, and it has been known to do useful work. It will instantly scatter the most impassioned . Ieline duettists whose blood-curdling efforts ever "shivered to the tingling stars." Wish well of me, suburban eleopers. I am laugh so much before persuaded that no ordinary uniform man ever troubled to enter your garden and put to furious flight the four-footed, fiends who." would murder sleep, the intiocent sleep! ?

> One dark night, very late, when the lew houses round about were silent and slumbrous. I suddenly found that the hedgebanks on both sides of the suburban road were alive with squatting and prostrate men, talking in subdued tones:

Believing as I do that doctors have largely lost sight of the science of health in their eager pursuit of the science of disease, I think we "specials" might reasonably be empowered to enter dwell ing-houses at night for the purpose opening the bedroom windows. In the scented sweetness and purity of an early summer morning it cuts me to the quick to see so many upper chambers hermetically sealed. The smallest houses are the worst offenders. h The: less room there is Since then I have acquired a rich and in a cottage for fresh air, the more religiously is the stale preserved. Our right to expel burglars should be extended

> to microbes. But, very many of the houses on my beats have all their upper windows open, whatever the season of the year, often the lower swindows as well, and sometimes the doors. I do not interfere-I decline to call the kettle black. Those people are right, all ways. It may be true that an open door will tempt a saint, but it would not tempt a burglar; which proves that a saint is inferior to a burglar, being more temptable. If a burglar has decided to burgle a certain house, he will burgle it, whether the doors and windows" are open or shut. But if when the enterprising burglar goes a-burgling he sees a house with all doors and windows open, he naturally assumes that it contains nothing worth burglingnot even rare microbes.

A lady once asked me what I should do if I saw a Zeppelin in the offing-" within my constablewick," she ought to have said, according to my " Notes and Instructions." Having consulted that call upon it to desist; and that if it then persisted in reppeing, I should take it in charge. ! The usual procedure is to touch the accused on the shoulder and say I am a Special Constable and arrest you for (here state the charge) . But if you arrive after the breach of the peace is over, you have no power of arrest." We always hope the breach will be quite com-

plete before we arrive. Have I seen a Zeppelin? Once onlyat 'the moment when it found a fearful Nimesis in the sky. I saw then the vision that was in Milton's eye when he

Him th' almighty Power Hurled_headlong_flaming from th ethereal sky.

With hideous ruin and combustion To buttomless perdition.

Another of the midnight murderers came down from the borth an hour later and some of its are not likely to forget the crescendo of the devilish drone that

Two long lines of red points, like hover- hovered in the heart of the night and ing fire-files, were the ends of their increased to a rattling roaz as the crew eignrettes, and they were all talking of assassine descended to a thousand feet French. They were the workers from the and circled about just over our heads. great munitions factory not far away, looking for a light. A few minutes later, where they had received that second tele- the earth trembled under our feet, and phonic warning which means "Lights" the whole sky melted into ghastly light out." It is manned entirely by belgian as the missionaries of Kultur unloaded mechanics-' getting a bit of their own their explosives at the opposite extremity of our town-in a huge field.

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One must be a special on night duty before he can realise what silence is and can be. Meredith speaks of a fireside silence as "that humming stillness which one may fancy one hears the midnight Fates busily stirring their embryos." But I have been in that belt of woodland when even the Fates slept, and no cry even of owl or cornerake or nightjar. It is a silence that seems to benumb the ears and make you wonder if you have been suddenly smitten with total dealness, so that you long to reassure yourself by shouting. But you dare not shatter that silence, and you only stealthily and timidly clear your throat

· One's chief consolation for a bitter night in winter (apart from salvaged Mocha), is the thought of the summer mornings, seen and to see. One such gave me the sight of a sunrise which only "specials" and sentinel soldiers saw. As it cleared the earth, the sun was like the open mouth of a steel-smelting furnace, hurling long strips of red flame into a blue sky that the fierce light and liest turned into the green of a sea-thistle, a blue sky in whose opposite heaven still hung the full clear moon.

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beyond that which is required for the further development of the Steel Custing department, in order to enable a plant to be obtained, and set up, for the purpose of rolling Steel Ingots into material for Engineering, Dock, and Building requirements; for which material there is now a great demand.

It is therefore, trusted that many persons in the Colony will be found ready to subscribe towards, the increased capital desired, both for their own benefit, and for that of the community generally.

The General Managers are ready and willing to enter into any reasonable agreement desired by the Company to continue their services for a lengthy period. Also, if desired by the Company, they are fully "prepared to transfer the control to a Board of Eprectors, comprised of such persons who are in a position to introduce business, as the Company thinks advisable.

The minimum subscription for the new shares now offered to the public, upon which the General Managers may proceed to allotment,

MR. C. BERNARD BROWN of the firm of Messra. Linstead & Davis, Hongkong, is the Auditor of the Company. copy of this prospectus" has been duly filed for registration

with the Registrar of Companies. Application for Shares should be made to the Company's Bankers,

or the office of the General Managers, where forms will be supplied. GORDON & CO...

General Managers. Dated this 22nd day of August, 1917.

REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR 1916-17.

Report presented to the Shareholders at the Seventh Ordinary General Meeting held at the Uffice of the General Managers, on Wednesday, the 5th August, 1917 at 11.30 o'clock a.m.

The General Managers have now the pleasure to submit their annual report and statement of the Company's accounts made up 31st May, 1917.

The net profit for the year ended 31st May, 1917, after allowing for interest. Auditor's Fees and writing off depreciation on Company's Plant, Machinery, Launches and Stock is \$19,817.93. This amount together with the sum of \$19,548.62 undistributed profit brought forward from last year makes an available balance of \$39,366.55 which it is resolved to appropriate as follows;—To place to Reserve Fund \$10,000.00. To pay a dividend of \$1.00 per share \$7,808.00. To carry forward to credit of next year's account \$21,558.55.

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General Managers. report that I have audited the above Balance Sheet with the books and vouchers of the Company and have found it to be in accordance therewith.

I have received all the information and explanations I have required. No depreciation has been written off Steel Process Patent Rights which appear in the books at their original cost namely \$21,368.56. Subject to the foregoing observation in my opinion such Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs according to the best of my information and the explanations given me and as shown by the books of the Company.

BERNARD BROWN, A.C.A., Hongkong, 6th August, 1917.

HONGKONG STEEL FOUNDRY CO., LTD.

Form of application for Shares,

To the General Manager's of HONGKONG STEEL FOUNDRY COMPANY, LIMITED Having paid to the Company's bankers the sum of \$ each of the above named Company I (or we) request you to allet. to me (or us).....shares on the terms of the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association and I (or we) agree to accept the same or any less number that you may allot to me (or us) and I (or we) authorise you to register me (or us) as the - 4 d holder (s) of the said shares.

Receipt for Application Money.

Received thisday of on account of the 21 Hongkong Steel Foundry Co., Ltd., from \$10 per share upon......shares of \$10 each of the above named Company.

For the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China.

The Register for application of Shares will be closed on Thursday, 1st November, 1917, at 3 o'clock.

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THURSD"AY,

the 6th September, 1917, at 2.30 p.m., nt No. 32 Granville Road. Kowloon,

VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c. . &c. . &c.

therein contained. Comprising -

Drawing Room Suite, Carpets and Rugs, Oil Paintings, Chinese Vases and Curios, Curtains, etc., etc. Large Marble-top Sideboard and

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Silver Tea Service, Silver Vases, Cups, On view from 5th Sept. at 2 p.m. Cutalogues will be issued.

HUGHES & HOUGH Hongkong, August 29, 1917

AUCTION.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction. (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED).

WEDNESDAY. the 5th September, 1917, at 11 a.m., at their Sales Rooms; No. 8, Des Væux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

Three dozens HAMS, A quantity of BACON, A number of cases "Albern". ROLLED OATS. One case LEMON BISCUITS.

One case of KOHLER CHOCOLATES to be sold in small lots. Terms :- Cash. HUGHES & HOUGH,

Austioneers. Hongkong, August 30, 1917.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received win structions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

SATURDAY. the 8th September, 1917, at 10.45 a.m.,

at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,

Des Vœux Road, Corner of Ice House Street, MISUELLANEOUS STOCK.

Comprising :-A variety of Dress Materials including a few pieces of Silk, Prints, Holland, White Linen, Drill, &c., &c., Counterpunes, White Blankets, Handkorchiefs, Towels, Toilet Soap, Perfumery, &c.,

Sun Hats, a few dozens of Lady's Silk Hoses, Cent.'s Roots and Shoes, Lace Curtains, &c., &c.,

Terms :- Cash. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, August 31, 1917."

LESSONS IN CHINESE.

MR LI HON PAN, a Uniness graduate versed in Officials and Merchants in this Colony for tan year "He has a good method of training Europeans to pass in the Chinese examination, and is possessed of a first rate certificate as a Chinese teacher." He has also a good knowledge of Mandarin and Hakka. Those who intend learning the Chinese immange are requested to write c/o "China Mail" Office or "direct to No. 162, Wellington Street, first floor.

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"SHELL" TRANSPORT MEETING.

A RECORD OF WORLD-WIDE PROGRESS.

> The annual general meeting of the "Shell" Transport and Trading Company Ltd., was held on July 12th at Winchester House, Old Broad Street, E.C. Sir Marcus Samuel, Bart., who presided. said the ligures which he had the pleasure of expounding to them were shorp of much of their value because, owing to circumstances over which they shad no control, it was not possible at the time they issued the balance sheet to incorporate the balance-sheets of either the flataafsche Petroleuni Maatschappij or of the Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Company.

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sidiaries of this Company there were two amongst their competitors. There was first was that they had continued to spread their risks to quarters likely to the maintenance of their position, and the profit reaching this country ful. Seeing the vast importance of the some solution could be found for this realise how necessary it was that they inevitable that many businesses in which

should be interested in the development friendly sliens were interested would

them the history of the whole of their and all those who studied the real operations, in the United States. They were on a large scale, and their policy had been fully squstified. In California the production of their companies had shown a remarkable advance, amounting to no less than 4,800,403 barrels, as compared with 3,186,800 barrels in 1915. The pipelines and refineries were fulfilling increased considerably, whilst they had their best expectations. They had difficulty in disposing of the whole their output, and the prospects for the undertaking were extremely promising. In Rumania, as could only be expected under the circumstances, no revenue obtained, but they had received promise of the Allies to make good the material losses which had been suffered in the common cause in this field.

THE RECENT STRIKE IN SUMATRA. The production in the Dutch Indies Petroleum Maatschappij land now reached had been fully maintained. They had them, and he was able to give them lately had the pleasure to amounce the some extremely interesting figures from striking of a well in new territory in it: In the first place, the insurance funds | Pangkallan Soesce, situated | quite close had been very materially increased. The to their refineries in Sumatra. This we directors of the Bataafsche had also yielded oil of very great value, containappropriated no less than £2,500,000 for ing, as it did, no less than 54 per cent. depreciation, to strengthen the position of very light petrol, which was what they of the Company in view of the very marketed as "Shell "No. I-the finest largely enhanced cost of replacing lost quality known in the entire world, the ships; plant and other facilities, and also | value of which had been so remarkably to provide against any unfair competition | demonstrated in its use by the Allied which they might meet. The cash posi- flying corps for aviation purposes, and tion of the Bataussche was one of very they had devoted it to this purpose during great strength; each in hand and sundry the war. This well was still flowing at debtors amounted to no less than the rate of about 750 tons per day. In 17,300,000. They had no accounts yet Russia, as might have been contemplated. from the Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Com- their companies had had enormous diffi pany, Ltd. Assuming that they placed culties to contend with, but they were to depreciation the sum of £685,000 which confident that the steps, taken by the board in Russia of the companies; they would find that the two companies. which they were interested would lead the Befaussche and the Anglo-Saxon, had to improved results for the respective since 1907, the date at which they were shareholders, and that the companies literature, bus been a teacher to European founded, provided ue leve than would be able to roaintain their positions combination which find taken place lately features of outstanding importance. The difficulty connected with the Russian position about which he must utter word of warning, and that was the quest supply oil, instead of depending as they | tion of taxation. This had been imposed once did, solely on the Dutch Indies for on an enormous scale, and that part of In this they had been remarkably success. subjected to further taxation. Unless

interests of our country," would greatly " deplore this. Practically the whole and their toninge had been engaged in the service of the Allies, and to replace the boats commandered at Blue-Book rates they had themselves been compelled to charter neutral tomage at enormous rates. As a consequence, the cost of distribution of their products ha not raised their rates of freight to these companies for which they had contracted to carry oil. In connection with the war, they had been able to render services as regarded petrol supply far outweighing any which any other petroleum concern had been able to render to the national cause. Cornmercially, they had nothing to fear from any new schemes or com-

The Chairman concluded by moving the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mg. H. W. A. Deterding, in seconding the adoption of the report, said he hopedthe shareholders would not think him imprudent if he declared what he never had ventured to say before (being a really cautious Dutchman) that never and prospects for after the war looked better, and never were their profits so secured , for the future, than they are at present Until the present time they had really taken practically no profits worth me. tioning as a result of all their hard work and the enormous success of their undertakings in the United States, Mexico. Venezuela, Egypt, and even Russia. They had consolidated their position in all those countries in order to make them yield real cash returns not returns on paper which were not realised. So far their profits had come principally from the Dutch Indies, but since, thanks to the competition of the Standard Oil Company, they were compelled to fine where the Standard got the profitswhich they employed against then -- they had discovered the source from which they obtained them and we possessed resources promising to yield additional substantial profits in the future. Those profits would be a welcome addition to those of the past, and he fully expected more than ample reward for the large amount-of-labour and capital spent-indistricts not hitherto productive of large revenues to use To those who expected a larger dividend he only wished to may colways hear in mind that we never recommend distribution if we have any reason to foresee that, we cannot maintain it in the future, our progress must be shown by hard cash results, not by boasting.", and they were confident of success for many, many years to come.

The report and balance aheet were unanimously adopted. unanimously, re-elected. The meeting

closed with a vote of thanks to Chairman.

of that great market. He could not give have to be removed from London. He, THE WAR AND BIBLE PROPHECY. STRENGTH AND

Mr. Thorpe Lee says he heard of it first from the wife of a private schoolmaster. When she spoke of "the encouragement we might receive from prophecy" I looked rather blankly at her, and she then went on to explain that the operations in Palestine were clearly a fulfilment of the prediction that in the last days the Jews should go back to their early home.

I ventured the suggestion that there was nothing to prevent their going back at any time, but that they refused altogether to entertain the idea. shook her head sagely and said, well, we shall see."

After this two or three references in print to the Messianic meaning of the war caught my notice. Then I heard two people in a train talking on the subject. Still I should have paid little attention to what I had read and heard if I had not found that one of our most trusted and most competent admirals, holding a high command, is firmly convinced that the events we are living through must develop in accord with the prophecies contained in the Book of Daniel and in the "Revelation" of St. John the Di ine.

This is how the admiral explained it to me. There were two preliminaries to be completed before the end, could looked for. One was the return of the Jews to Palestine, "all the Jews, mind ou. including the Ten Lost Tribes, have got to be found." . I he other event is the reconstitution of the Roman Em-"Now," if you consider carefully, he said "you will find that all the countries which did form the Roman Empire are coming together. Germany

"Russio never did," I interrupted. "No." he admitted, "that is true. But let me go on." France, England, Italy, Rumunia, Spain on the verge of joining in, the northern parts of Africa, which were Roman, in the hands of the French and of ourselves. It is significant, isn't

admiral went on "I am clear about not contain a single habit forming drug-

I had not the heart to drug in Russia

and rumours of wars' which was to come before the Last Days: Before Arningeddon there must be the 'Tribulation' the Children of Israel which will follow their return to Palestine." I was listening with amazed attention, pinching myself furtively to make sure

that I was awake. "I see you have given some thought to these matters," he continued. "Many people would regard all that I am saying as foolishness. But there are so many pieces that all fit in together in a worderful way." I used to have an idea, that all this kind of thing was confined to a few cranks of the type of the Rev. Mr Buxter. who used to warn the world in a week! newspaper that it-I mean the world

not the newspaper-was about to come to an end. But I have had my eyes opened. There is clearly a large body of cominion in favour of interpreting the war as a fulfilment of Biblical prophecy. Even men of influence and ability share The retiging directors, Sir Marcus this view. I conclude as the Arab

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WHEN the alarm clock rang this morning did you bound from bed. wide awake, bright eyed, clear minded and whistle while you dressed ! Did you go to breakfast with the appetite of horse and leave for work feeling "fit, brimful of ideas and energy, ready to do your work with a will?

Not if you're the average cifizen. You stretched and gaped and said, "another day" and you arose slowly feeling vaguely despondent and uneasy and not a bit rested. The day's tasks were a thing to dread." Something nasty had crawled in your mouth and slept there all night. You had no appetite, your work was mechanical and lacked purpose. True you got in the rut finally and pulled through after a fashion but you weren't a success and you realized it. You lacked ambition, energy, vim, nerve force and you couldn't concentrate. There was no

joy or happiness in the day's work or

the reward it brought you.

Such symptoms don't necessarily prove that you are ill, but they are certain indications of weakened nerve force and evidence that your nerve cells are not being properly nourished and strengthened. Your whole systemmental and physical-is below par and you are only 50 per cent. efficient just half your real self. In such a condition you can do nothing better or get quicker action than by taking a few weeks treatment of the wonderful remedy called Sargol. This is the most remark able prescription ever found for putting back the "good old pep" in folks who are chronically tired, devitalized or run down. The chief reason for its successis that it contains some of the most important elements of active living nerve force. bargol acts quickly. It gets straightway into your nerve cells and blood and freshens and brightens you right up. It gives you ambition, courage, will power and real vital vim and does that. This must be the period of wars It is always safe, easy, pleasant and efficient. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., The Victoria Dispensary, The Pharmacy, Queon's Dispensary, The Edward-Dis-pensary and leading chemists every where sell it-40 tablets to a package. A few years ago Sargol was awarded a gold medal and diploma of honor at Brussels, Belgium.

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It not only comes colds and grip out prevents their resulting in pneumonia. United States in the oil trade they would multiplication of beaution, it was quite Samuel Part. R. Welly Cohen, Ear, Physican in Browning's great poem no opium or other nurconcand may be and Captain Walter H. Samuel were concluded his letter on the douth and siven as confidently to a child at to an revival of Lazarus, with the comment, adult. For sale by all Chemists and

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Yours faithfully, (Signed) M. — M. — D. —

BIRTHS.

CROUGH .- On August 30, at Shanghai,

JRBAN.-On August 30, at Shanghai,

GEZA URBIN, aged 38 years.

DAWE On August 29, at Shanghai,

VITITEED, -On July 14, at Liverpool

of pneumonia, late of Shanghai.

Hongkong, Tursday, Sept. 4, 1917.

ECONOMIC LEAGUES.

THE sentence in President WILSON'S

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Hongkong, Sept. 4, 1917. -

THE CALHNDAR.

MEMO. FOR TO-DAY. 9:15 p.m. -- Frawley Co. in "Jerry".

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

11 s.m. -Auction of Hams, Bacon, Oats

and Biscuits at Mesers. Hughes and Hough's Entries close for fourth Gymkhans

(Sept. 15th). 9.15 p.m.-Frawley Co. in "Sunday".

Coneral Memorands.

FERENCE Sout B:-2.20 plm. - Auction of Household Furniture, Silver Tea Service, Cups

and Vases : Gramaphone, etc., etc. at 32 Granville Boad, Kowloon. 5.30 p.m -- Annual Meeting of the Victoria Recreation Club ... 9.15 p.m.—Frawley Co. in "Paid in Full" and Vaudeville.

SATURDAY, Sept. 8:-10 45 a.m.—Auction of Miscellaneous Stock, at Messrs. Highes and and ultimately worse than futile, and

Hough's. 9 p.m.-Night Fête at the V.R.C. SAWUEDAY, Sept. 15:-

University Re-opens. 3.30 p.m.—Gymkhana at Happy Valley.

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purpose like unto that of America said this was only, "to preserve the power they have set up in Germany, and the selfish advantages which they have wrongly gained for themselves and their private projects of power all the way from Berlin to Baghdad and beyond. Government after Government has, by their influence, without open conquest of territory, been linked together in a net of intrigue directed against nothing less than the peace and liberty of the world." That is at once the reason and the justification of the Paris resolutions, and at this stage we are unable to conceive of such an ending of the war as will entirely remove the necessity for such measures common defence on the part of the Allies as are indicated in the Paris resolutions.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Exchange is still rising, to-day's opening demand selling rate being

Owning members of the Hongkong Coorss. On August 28, at Kuling, the wife of A. J. Coores, of a daughter. Gymkhama Club are reminded that entries for the next gymkhana close

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

News has been received in Shanghai of the death of Mr. Gay Ficard-Destelan, who was killed in action recently on the French front. The deceased was lieutenant in the French Flying Corps, and prior to leaving for active service, shortly after war broke out, was employed in the Russo-Asiatic Bank. He was wounded in 1915.

A telegram was received Shanghai last week from the War Office stating that Capt. R. Llewellyn Jones, M.C., King's Royal Rifles, had been taken prisoner by the Germans. Information has been received by Capt. recently her son had been complimentreply to the Pope's Peace Note in ed for his work by his General.

which he observed that the American Government deemed "the establish-At the forthcoming meetings of the ment of selfish and exclusive Irish Convention, says the "L. & C. Express," the members will have the change, plus c'est le meme chose, seems to economic leagues to be inexpedient advantage of having Sir Hiram Shaw at the situation to a nicety. Wilkinson to assist. Ten or a dozen no proper basis for a peace of any years ago Sir Hiram severed his conkind, least of all for an enduring nexion with the Foreign Office, after a peace" naturally arrests attention in long career in the public service dating given to us to couceal our thoughts. view of the resolutions passed by the back to the early sixties. His judicial A diplomat has been defined as a man Allied Economic Conference at Paris appointments included that of H. M. last year. But, as Lord ROBERT CECIL Chief Justice for the Supreme Court of China and Korea, which he held at the has been pointing out, there does not time of his retirement. appear to be anything inconsistent

between the Note and the economic Many shipping men in the Far East policy of the Allies as declared in will regret to learn that the Rev. Father Froe, S.J., has definitely severed his connexion with Sicawei Observatory, having been transferred to the Theological Seminary. The W.C. Daily News says: The great services which Father Free has rendered to mariners war and protecting themselves against and those living on the China Coast by an aggressive, military and com- his able direction of the Observatory in mercial policy which might then be issuing warnings of approaching Letters relating to business should be pursued by our enemies. Germany's typhoons and in collecting and collatscheme for driving her allies into a ing the "information brought him by \$38 per annuin; per quarter and per men. Central European block shows that ships will be appreciated by large proportion of the community. such a policy is a real danger. He did much to bring the meteorological The resolutions of the Paris Conservice to its present state of efficiency ference were in three divisions—they and while every good wish will be felt Orders for extra copies of the 'Carra related (1) to the war period, when for Father Froc in his new sphere regret trading with the enemy is absolutely will be felt at, his departure. He has a prohibited; (2) to transitory measures worthy successor in the person" of

TYPHOON WARNINGS.

Alterations and additions to Advertise- powers most-favoured nation treat- received at the American Consulate and Mr. Hyde. When the ment during a number of years to be General, Hongkong, from the Manile fixed by mutual agreement; among Observatory at 1 p.m. to-day :themselves; and (3) the permanent Typhoon in about 109" Long. E. and measures of mutual assistance and

19 Lat. N. moving N. W. Typhoon in about 127° Long. E. and 15° Lat N. direction unknown.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT

their sources of supply, but also as regards their financial commercial The Summer Tennis Tournament promoted by the Hongkong Cricket and maritime organisation. These Club has now reached the final stage. may be "selfish" measures, but they seem at present absolutely essential beating Messrs. Murray and Mass (+10) by to an enduring peace. It would be (+17), 98/86, have qualified for the criminal felly to ignore the history final. They have to meet Mesers. of the past. In his own message to Claxton and Joseland (scr.) who beat Russis, President Wilson, alluding Mesers Bevington and Vermey (+10 to the fact that the ruling classes in by \$6/89. As Claston is away and is Germany have begun of late to not expected back for eix week the first profess a liberality and justice of has been indefinitely postpoued.

TOPICS OF THE WEEK.

BY "SCRUTATOR."]

The Question of the Hour: Who are the Volunteers who enjoy night duty! Names, please!

Overheard in the Peak tram: Young 'TN: "Why is there conscience clause in the Military Service Bill !"

OLD 'UN: Simply because Hongkong is a place without a conscience!

One of the amendments made in the Military Service Bill before it wa passed was the insertion of a clause providing that,

Defence Corps when performing any actual military duty shall be entitled to pay and allowances at the same rates and subject to the same conditions as members of His Majesty's regular forces as far as such rates and conditions may by the Governor in Council be deemed applicable to the Hongkong Defence

Ah! Will the Governor in Council think payment-for a few hours a at the current rate of exchange, applicable 1

It is always refreshing to come across a man who takes a view of things at a different angle from that of the crowd; the plaintiff's goods, and chattels and but I cannot quite see the point of the kick which Mr. Lowe hasbeen making in his letters to the Press against, the Military Service Bill, plaintiff and Mr. E. J. Grist appeared He says it ought to be ended and not for the defendant. merely amended. Mr. Lowe, I believe, is a member of the Reserves. plaintiff rented the premises from the What difference would the ending of the defendant, and was at times a Bill make to him? Not a scrap. Since little backward in the payment the beginning of the war no member of of his rent. The defendant appointed the local Volunteer forces has been allowed to resign of his own free will; at the premises on July 29 and asked 39 Robinson Road was charged with no-member has been free to leave the for payment of the rent, which was stealing from his master on the 3rd colony at his pleasure; on the contrary, many who desired to do so have been compelled to remain here—to wit, the masters in the Colony's schools who, during the vacation, have been kicking their heels in Hongkong "instead of getting away to Japan or North China, as they were wont to do in time of peace. It is one of the few instances of the application of the Army Act to the local forces. Now that the duration of the ordinance has been restricted to the six months Jones's mother in Shanghai that only after the conclusion of peace, and the Governor has given an assurance in reference to the application of the Army Act that "the Government would not depart from the policy adopted in the past"-the old French proverb Plus ca

> Somebody has said that language was who lies abroad for the good of his country and a journalist as one who lies at home. Both are easily beaten at the game by the Chinese politician. Everybody in South China, for instance; has been keen to know what attitude is taken towards the political situation by General Luk Wing Ting, who holds the situation at Canton in the hollow of his hand. The President says the Government places the greatest reliance on him, and believes that he will, be that eventually he will be able to of the interview had his doubts, or he are to be believed."

treme radicals asked why he did not leave his lair and come to Canton Peking, he replied that "his legs were melodrams, if dealt with. about his room without being carried in a chair." That is one of the cuphemisms of the language of Chinese diplomacy. Every Chinese diplomat who wants to wriggle out of doing what attraction of the play. is expected of him finds his excuse in "swollen legs," but the cures at times are as miraculously sudden as the

The English equivalent of "swollen legs is "cold feet." But bore feet." it is said, will become the local equivalent when the members of the Defence Corps are shod in Army pattern boots ! Decrease.

One of the things that General Luk Wing Ting is reported to have said to his interviewors the other day is that the National Council which the Peking Government intend to substitute for the old Parliament is "neither a horse nor blunt old soldier like Luk to call a

spade a spade-and an animal which

was neither horse nor mule a simple

Once more, re the subject of the

Duplicates of letters, the criminals of which went forward by the mail for Europe yesterday, should not be ferwarded by the mail leaving here on Tuesday. They should be kept for the next homeward mail.

This is from a Straitspaper. We get no such guidance in Hongkong. Why?

THE SUMMARY COURT.

A CLAIM FOR WRONGFUL DISTRAINT.

In the Summary Court, this morning, week-at the rate of a "bob" a day, before Sir William Rees Davies, K. C., Chief Justice, Au Hin, trading as Au Hin Kee, and tenant of No. 380 Shang- language. Eventually defendant got off hai Street, claimed from the Tung the car opposite the King Edward Hang Yu firm, as landlords of the suice premises, \$1,000 damages, for that the defendant did wrongfully distrain on have paid the fare. There was a scuille further sold them; or, in the alternative, for trespass.

Mr. F. X. d'Almada appeared for the

Mr. d'Almada stated that the a woman as rent collector and she called three months overdue. The care- instant, one gold and pearl pin valued at taker in charge of the premises informed \$200, one silver watch valued at \$1 the rent collector that the plaintiff had gone to the country on business After some argument the caretaker tendered one month's rent, which was defendant, on his own responsibility, three months hard labour. removed the goods of the plaintiff. When the plaintiff returned from the country the arrears of rent were tendered and the return of the goods was demanded, but the defendant refused.

Subsequently, a proper distress warrant was levied on the premises.

After hearing the evidence His Lordship dismissed the case, the plainin to pay costs.

THE FRAWLEY COMPANY.

"UNDER COVER."

The Frawley Company's presentation "Under Cover" last night, melodrama in four acts, was another proof of the versatility of its talented

The rain, no doubt, prevented many from being present, but those who braved the elements were well rewarded, for the play holds the audience tight grip of expectation from start to

Briefly, the plot is that a girl is forced to become a member of the Secret reconciling factor in the situation, and Service department of the American Customs, in order to save her sister from bring the discordant faction into disgrace. The girl is set to track, and to line with the Central Government. lead into a trapp a man who is supposed On the other hand, leaders of to have smuggled a valuable necklace Court a few days ago, namely whether the Canton faction regard him as one of and who turns out to be the man she is themselves. "If his words are to be in love with. She does her best to Colony. Elsewhere we give a summary believed,"-aye, there's the rub!-says prove her lover innocent, but things of the argument. A Chinese was charged a report of an interview. "General look very black against him indeed, for the defence argued that the children Lu was indignantly dissatisfied with and he is finally run to earth and Peking." The Man in the Street, only succeeds in excaping from a term like Pilate of old, is asking: "What is of imprisonment by paying a heavy first Ordinance passed Truth 1." Even the writer of the report bribe to a customs official; at least, so we are led to understand, right up to would not have written "if his words the finish, when a fitting ending to the other hand the bief. Justice said that love story of the play is provided by the disclosure that the pseudo-smuggler custom. Unfortunately the matter is General Luk appears to be a Mr. Is not a smuggler at all, but another not likely to be definitely settled by the The telegrams quoted below were Facing-both-ways, a Chinese Dr. Jeykel secret service man set to watch the guilty on the facts. What strikes us as ex customs official, who has long been being remarkable is that the Court had suspected of accepting bribes

to lead the military movement against necessary ingredients for a thrilling really in a very bad condition, being necessary talented actors, and the play quite swollen, and he is unable to move lost nothing in its presentation by the "owners" have no legal right in their Frawley Company.

> To night will be presented !! Jerry, in which, we understand a very fine treated with some consideration less piece of character acting forms the chief

Approximate statement of straffe re-

HONGKONG TRAMWAY CO., LAD.

ceipts for the week ending 1st Sept. :-

Last Year

THE MAGISTRACY.

ASSAULT ON A TRAM INSPECTOR.

Before Mr. Wood this morning a a mule." One would have expected a Chinese named William Mak, a clerk employed at the Sailors' Flome, was summoned by the Hongkong Tramway Co. for refusing to pay the fare legally demanded, for acting in a disorderly manner and for assaulting a tram inspector. Defendant cross-summoned the inspector.

the Tramway Co. while Mr. Leo d'Almada appeared for the defence.

It was alleged that the defendant boarded a car a little distance from the Victoria Theatre on the night of August 33rd. The car was going to Causeway Bay. Defendant found he had hoarded a wrong car and told the conductor that he had made a mistake in boarding this car instead of one going to Quarry Bay. He was then told to get off the car but became excited and refused saying he had plenty of money. tram inspector appeared on the scene and asked the defendant to pay Defendant refused and used abusive Hotel. The tram inspector left the car also, and told the defendant he ought to in which the defendant hit the inspector on the nose. The latter blew a police whistle and an Indian constable took both of them in charge and brought one of the god-given ones therein who them to the station.

His Worship found the defendant guilty of assault and fined him \$10.

A HOUSE BOY'S HAUL.

Before Mr, Dyer Ball this morning, a Chinese employed as a house boy at No. one pair gold mounted pince-nez valued and quickly? Or, themselves scatheless, at \$30, one gold brooch valued at \$10, will they not that can ! would be back shortly and one bank note for \$100, the total amount being \$356.

Defendant pleaded guilty, and His refused, and on the next day the Worship sentenced the defendant to

OPIUM ON A JUNK

Before Mr. Wood this afternoon, the master of a junk was charged with allowing his junk to be used for convey Services come forward as formerly, large ing 450 tacks of opium.

defence.

Defendant, giving evidence, said went up country on the 25th July and returned on the 28th. His junk was generally used for coal and cement. He" did not know anything about the opium Secretary as soon as possible of their found on his boat. He heard from his friends at Canton that his fokis had used his junk to convey opium and that

his junk was being held by the police. Revenue Inspector Wilden stated that the defendant was in Court on the 28th July while his two fokis were

After hearing the evidence H Worship fined the defendant \$200.

CHINA AND SLAYERY.

The "N. C! Daily News" has following comment on a subject which was raised in the course of a recent trial at the Criminal Sessions in Hongkong:-An extremely interesting question was raised in the Hongkong Supreme the Chinese "custom" of purchasing slaves could be recognized in a British were being kept in the Colony in a state of slavery and, there fore, the prosecution must fail. British took possession of the Colony was designed to make it clear slavery would not be tolerated. On the the Supreme Court usually took into

consideration questions of Chinese no knowledge of, or overlooked, the fact Executive Government, it does not rest that some years prior to the formation There, it will be seen, are all the of a Republic in China the purchase and sale of slaves was made a criminal offence. Moreover, young servants were always the regarded as slaves prior to this legislation That human beings are bought and sole in China to-day is well-known, but the slaves as formerly, and, moreover, are liable to punishment for possessing them, and consequently slaves are they complain to the authorities. Formerly the "deed of sale" contained the character for "slave." To day "com panion or "adopted son are used in order to evade the law. If the possession of slaves is illegal in China, there can be no question of respecting Chinese custom

> with the provisional rank of lieutenant, and you will be surprised and delighted charged with the task of organizing at the relief obtained. For sale by all bands at the various navel training Chamitte and Storekeepers

in Hongkong

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

THE CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

[" Chinese Mail " Service.]

NEW SECTION OPENED:

SHANGHAL Sept. 3.

The Wuchang-Yochow section of the Canton-Hankow Railway was formally opened to traffic on September 1, and passenger trains will begin running to-

Mr. W. E. L. Shenton prosecuted for PRESENTS FOR LUK WING TING.

SHANGHAR, Sept. 3." The Cabinet has sent Kwan Min Kwan, to convey presents to Luk Wing Ting, in honour of his birthday.

THE CHARTERING OF ENEMY

PEKING, Sept. 3. A .. Japanese Company will charter from the Chinese Government the seized German and Austrian ships.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE SERVICE DOLLAR AND THE TREASURY GODS.

[To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."]

September 4th, 1917. Sir,-Upon a day one went to the Treasury in London. He talked with decide the fate of those poor ones in Hongkong, tight-bound in the King's service, self-help denied, safety ignored. The first spoke concerning a great wickedness: the, "Service Dollar." Quoth

his kind: "Well, you can take it from me, we shall not do a thing for them!" The wickedness has grown and ever grows more evil. Can none play Hercules | Can none move the god-given-

the second, having listened a little, but

understanding less, as is the fashion of

Yours, etc. PROMETHEUS

Y.R.C. NIGHT FETE.

Entries for the V. R. C. Night Fête on Saturday next are well up to the average and should the men from the 'fields' may be expected and the Mr. Bulmer Johnson appeared for the various events should be keenly and closely contested. The programme includes a team race, 100 yards handicap, high dive, hurdle race handicap, ladies nomination and a water pole match. Service men should notify the Hon.

intention to enter for the events. The Club's bath is an ideal piece for these night swimming sports as the seats are open to any breeze coming off the harbour. The entrance fee is one dollar for non-members and the first race starts at 9 p.m. sharp.

THE "HIGH HAND" IN HONGKONG.

A GLADSTONE REFERENCE RE-CALLED BY MESOPOTAMIA.

"The tenderness of our present Dicta tors towards the Mesopotamian culprits in face of the desire for their punish, ment in the House of Commons " reminds a correspondent in a London paper of the case of Dr. Bowring, Governor of Hongkong and Plenipotentiary in China sixty years ago.

Eord Derby moved a vote of censure on him for neglect of duty and abuse of power, which the House of Lords rejected by 36. In the Commons, however, a similar motion was carried, sgainst the Government; and during the debate the following words, so apposite in these days of the High Hand, were uttered by 31r. Gladstone :--

"The Executive Government having failed to check them [officials who had acted in violation of the principles of right] the appeal was next made to the House of Lords, and made as such an appeal orght to be made, for the cause was worthy of the eloquence, and the eloquence was worthy of bishops, and it

But it does not rest with subordinate officials abroad, it does not rest with the with the House of Lords, finally and in the last resort to say what shall be the policy of England and to what purpose

shall har powers be directed. No. Sir, that function lies within these walls." Every member of the House of Commons is proudly conscious that he belongs to an assembly which, in its collective capacity, is the paramount power of the State. But if it is the paramount power of the State, it can never separate from the paramount power a similar and paramount responsibility. It is with its to determine whether this wrong shall remain unchecked and

BHEUMATISM.

TIAVE you ever tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism LH not you are wasting time, as the longer this Mr John Philip Pouss, the American disease runs on the harder it is to cure. March King "and bandmaster, is now Get a bottle to day apply it with s officer of the United States Navy, Vigorous massage to the afficted parts

TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

THE ITALIAN FRONT: FURTHER ADVANCE BY THE ITALIANS.

Losnon, Sept. 3. An Italian official message states . We advanced further to the east-" ward of the Brescovizza Valley, capturing several " Dolinas."

We took 347 prisoners on Saturday injured. and Sunday; on the Julian Front.

BAD WEATHER INTERFERES WITH OPERATIONS.

UDINES, Sept. 3. Bad weather is interfering with the Italian advance. The enemy is pushing up reinforcements,

ITALIAN BOMBING RAIDS.

London, Sept. 3. An Austrian official message, transmitted by wireless, states; ---

Italian aviators bombed several towns on the west coast of Istria. Our aeroplanes drove back are air squadron making for Trieste.

THE BALKAN

Loxbox, Sept. 3 'A "German official message, by wireless, states :-

We repulsed the French to the morth-west of Monastir.

AFFAIRS IN RUSSIA.

THE PRIVILEGES OF THE COSSACKS

Loxbox, Sept. 3. The Times Petrograd Correspondent states that the Russian Government has cancelled the ancient territorial privileges of the Ton

abiding, will turnely submit,

REVELATIONS' FROM THE RUSSIAN ARCHIVES:

AN ALLIANCE THAT DID NOT Condition. MATERIALISE.

Panis, Sept. B. Telegrams which passed between the Kniser and the Tsar, at the end of 1904, taken from the Russian Archives and published in the Nam! York Herald, show that the Kaiser. during the Russo-Japanese crisis. dreamt of a Franco-Russo-German alliance against Great Britain and aftempted to induce the Tsar to sign a secret treaty whereby France would have been faced with un fait accompli, but the Tsar, after momenturily appearing "to agree, changed his mind, in view of the events in the 'Algericas.

The telegrams show that the Kaiser! took advantage of the Dogger Bank facilities of communication and transincident and the difficulties of coaling the Russian Baltie Fleet on its 'way to the Far East, to impress the Tsar in favour of a new Russo-German alliance against Great Britain, assuming that France, as an ally of Russia, would be compelled to join!

The Treaty of the alliance was actually drafted and the Tsar wished ness of national purpose, to a firmer to show the druft to Flance before confidence in her destiny. The greatness attaching "his " signature, but the upon the character of its people as Kaiser was of the opinion that this exemplified in their ideals and by their course would be dangerous, as, France would immediately inform Great Britain, and Great Britain and Japan would immediately attack Germany, of whose small fleet their maritime superiority would hand, if the treaty were signed. France would urge Great Britain to -remain quiet through fear of France's position being jeopardised.

AFFAIRS IN GREECE.

CHARGES AGAINST PRECED-ING GOVERNMENTS TO BE INVESTIGATED.

ATHENS, Sept. 3. A commission has been appointed to investigate charges made against members of preceding Governments. It is reported that members of the Skouloudis Government are accus of plotting for an absolute monarchy rhoes in children. For sale by al and conniving at murders.

ENEMY AIRSHIP BOMBS DOVER.

London, Sept. 3. Taking advantage of the lull in the storm, and a brilliant moonlight, the Germans indulged in a "tip and run, "raid on a south-easternatown." Little damage was done; only two people being injured.

LATER. A British official message states that a single aeroplane carried out last night's raid, and dropped seven bombs on Dover.

One punn with killed and four women and two children were

GERMANY'S WORLD POLICY.

Loxbox, Sept. 3. The Fines, in an article on Germany's grandiose world policy, says that the German over seas policy is essentially . Machtpolitik. whitever! may be the garb it wears, for the moment, Germany wants back her Colonies not primarily for their economic value but for their military General Korniloff. value and aims at the creation of a great militarist State—a militarist State of negroes commanded by German officers and disciplined by them in German methods of warfare. They want such a State with their own supplies, their own munition factories and their own mayal bases because it would dominate the African Conthe Mediterranean and the Saez Canal, and Could be easily linked up with central Europe which it could last war. flood with black armies and threaten, from a segre of havai bases, the Cape route to India, to Australia and ste ! the Far East and thereby prevent England from again concentrating her full navablorees in the North Seg.

AN AIRMAN'S TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE.

LOSDON Sept. 3. Major Bannetyne, D.S.O., lad a terrible experience whilst flying Glougestershire. The engine stopped It is unlikely that the Cossacks, in mid-air and the machine took fire "who have hitherto been most law and fell. Major Bannatyne, who appeal from the Grand Duke Nichowas scorehed, crept out to the tail of the machine, the flames following journeyed to Galicia, and what he him. He then hung by his hands to the framework of the muchine which crashed on to a shed." . Major Bannatyne is in a critical

CANADA'S JUBILEE.

PREMIER'S STIRRING MESSAGE TO THE CANADIAN PROPLE.

Sir Robert Borden, Prime Minister of Canada, addressed the following message to the Canadian people on the occasion of the Jubilee anniversary :-

Amid the welter and horror of the war which devastates civilization, we pause, for a moment, to consider the Canada of balf a century ago and the Canada of to-day. Much has been added to us-our

boundaries have been vastly extended, so as to embrace half a continent; our population has nearly trebled; there has been a measurable development of our resources; we have grown enormously in production, commerce, and wealth portation have been provided beyond all anticipation, and general conditions of life and the standards of living have been conspicuously raised; educational facilities have been greatly enlarged. In all these, and many other, incidents of the world's progress Canada has more than held her own. "

All this is impressive, but still more half-century which now draws to a close, Canada has come to a fuller knowledge of her heritage and of the responsibility which it entails, to a clearer consciousof any nation rests, in the last analysis. capacity for sacrifice and devotion in fulfilling the national purpose. Judged by this unfailing test, Canada stands

unashamed before the world. In 1868, the year before our Confederation was born, Prussia snatched from Austria the hegemony of the German States, and took her first step along the awful path that has led to the relentless issue which the forced upon humanity three years ago. Her challenge to civilanswered beyond the seas by the free democracies of the world. Among them Canada has worthily taken her place and proudly borne her part.

Thus would they have wished it who, in 1867, laid the foundation of our liberties. Let us, with resolute spirit, so maintain our purpose and our efforts that, in this last and greatest chapter of humanity's striving and triumph, it shall be recorded of Canada that, as at the first she never hesitated, so to the end the never faltered.

TREATMENT FOR DYSENTERY.

MHAMBERLAIN'S Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy followed by a dose of castor oil will effectually cure the most stubborn cases of dysentery. It is especially good for summer diar-Chemists and Storekeepers.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

ANOTHER AIR RAID. CASUALTIES BELIEVED SMALL

London, Sept. 2. A British official message says: Hostile aeroplanes crossed the cust Kent coast at 11.15 last night. They flew seawards a few minutes later, A few bombs were dropped. x

The casualties are believed to be

DISCIPLINE IN RUSSIAN ARMY GENERAL KORNILOFF VIEWS ENDORSED.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 3. The Provisional Covernment has issued a statement reiterating its confidence in General Kornfloff.

The Government also andonnee the adoption of the disciplinary measures he stipulated, and agree that serious and energetic mensures are recessary to re-establish the army's fighting enpacity.

tinent and destroy the security of Imperialism would mean the crushing

THE RUSSIAN EX-MINISTER OF

CRIMINAL SLOWNESS.

· PETROGRAD, Sept. 2. At the trial of General Sukhoralinoff. M. Kodzianko said that the Duna, before the war, recognised General Sukhomlinoff's criminal slowness in the organisation of the Army. .The accused, after the outbreak of war, systematically resisted the Duran's efforts to stimulate the production of shells, notwithstanding appeals from the front, including an las. M. Rodzianko said he specially dramatically indicted General Sukhornlinoff as being responsible for the
enormous losses suffered, and the
retreat from Galicia. Other political
personages also gave evidence, and
each directly attributed Russia's une
each directly attributed Russia's une
the apreciment, making 12 in all.
The three boats first named belonged
to the Austrian Lloyd line and plied
between Triests and Japan, the three
having good passenger and cargo accommodation. An effort, was made over a
year ago by the China Mail line to buy
these ships from the Austrian Lloyd. preparedness to General Sukhom-

AUSTRO-GERMAN INTRIGUE IN-UKRAINE.

Petrogran, Sept. 2. The War Ministry have published particulars showing that the Ukrair Separatist agitation was due to Austro-German agitation.

"- RUSSIAN ENGINE DRIVERS" STRIKE ABANDONED.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 3: The engine drivers yesterday decided to abundon the proposed strike, pending negotiations.

STOCKHOLM CONFERENCE.

ADJOURNED SINE DIE.

Sтоскиови, Sept. 8. In view of the result of the London conference, the organisers of the Stockholm Conference have finally abandoned the idea of meeting oninspiring is, the thought that, during the September 9th, and have adjourned the conference indefinitely.

A PROBABLE FLAT REJECTION. London, Sept. 8.

A Trades Union Congress of 709 delegates, representing 3,000,000 workers, opens at Blackpool to-day. The chief subject for discussion (2) will be the Stockholm Conference. Everything points to a flat rejection of the Conference and the substitu of -u- Conference of Allied

Federation, numbering 163, have decided that the Stockholm Conferization and human freedom is being ence is impracticable, and they favoured an Allied Conference.

A meeting of the delegates of the National Union of Railwaymen likewise rejected the Stockholm Con-

Altogether a strong disinclination is manifested against the meeting of enemy delegates.

War Savings" Certificates to the value of £83,237,072, has been sold at Home up to June 16.

The Washington correspondent of the New York Times Bays :- "It is officially reported here that Germany 1916 numbered 79,660, an increase of has completed a small number of sub- 14,000 during the year. The number marine, capable of submerging to a women workers increased in the same depth of 200 feet. This achievement, period from 10,000 to 19,200. The report adds to the anti-submarine problem as of the works sick fund shows that the this type of aubmersible would be able war has had a bud offect on the health to dive under the nets of the warzhips. of the workpeople.

THE ENEMY SHIPS LEASED.

CHINESE COMPANY TO RUN 12 -YESSELS

NO RE-CHARTERING ALLOWED.

The N. C. Daily News says:—
After several weeks of diplomatic discussion, the question of the disposal of the enemy ships in think waters, taken the enemy ships in t hink waters, taken over by the Chinese Government when war was declared against the Central Powers, has been definitely settled at trian ships are soon to be on the high seas again, and under the Chinese flag. All question of their disposal or charter to foreign governments or subjects is settled. The ships have been chartered by a Chinese company composed of inby a Chinese company composed of in in one of the corners. fluential moneyed men of various pro- On the opposite sid

company nor of the terms of the charter-ing, but he believed the new corporation new outburst of patriotism. to be composed of various Chinese of weight and from several provinces. It could also be stated that the agreement produce would be given preference over all other curgo, and there was in all There is no question of superseding probability a clause in the agreement which will prohibit the charterers from re-chartering, especially to foreigners.

THE LAST WAR.

The Chinese Government authorities here and at Feking have been strongly pressed, especially during the past forth of a statement drawn up by the pressed especially during the past forth of a statement drawn up by the use of the 12 steamers which were international policy. The Committee preiterates that the victory of German I matter has at last been settled. Some southern interests in particular have been extremely anxious to get the sinest personal the use of the "influential" class who have severe in the war to attain the desire of the peoples that this shall be the last war.

The Last war.

The Chinese Government authorities here and at Feking have been strongly from the past forth for the privilege of acquiring the use of the square, headed by their commander, Mme, Botch kareva, who has already won two St. Grorge's Crosses for signal bravery at the front, which sha leck more than one desperate enterprise. Several other members of the considerable amount of firm diplomacy that the matter has at last been settled. Some southern interests in particular have been extremely anxious to get the ships, and the number of men, some of the "influential" class who have been enamouring for them has been been of the inscription: "Death is better than shame, and "Women, do not give your hands to traitors."

The women volunteers of all classes stoed four deep on one side of the square, headed by their commander, Mme, Botch kareva, who has already won two St. Grorges Crosses for signal bravery at the front, whore she has leck more than one desperate enterprise. Several other members of the contingent who have also been decorated with the St. George's Cross were to be seen in the sake. The women volunteers the headed by their commander, Mme, Botch careva, who has already wo It seems to have been generally under- roses. stood in Japan, too, that one of the large, Japanese shipping companies would buy or charter the ships, and there have been rumours to the effect that certain Chinese would secure the possession of the vessels for the purpose of selling to Japanese

NAMES OF THE SHIPS.

It is understood that while the ships are chartered to a private company, they will be under Government control. The steamers are :--

	Tons gross.
China Austr	rian 6,026
Silesia Aust	pian 5,174 #
Bohemia Aust	rian 4,284
rikiang Gern	nan 1,840
D. Rickmers Gern	
Albenga Gern	
Meidah Gern	nan 1.889 0
Meilee	on . 1,682
Two German ships at	amov and one

saw there filled him with terror. He at another port, all small, are included

hese ships from the Austrian Lloyd, but the negotiations fell through, perhaps because the would-be purchasers, Chinese, were informed that the transfer might not be recognized by the belligerents and that the ships might be subject to seizure on the high seas as enemy

The Meidah and Meilee were well known river steamers plying to Hankow, for the N. D.L. (Molchers); the Sikiang was a Tsingtao boat of the Hamburg America line and the Albenga and D. Rickmeis were outside cargo boats. The Fortuna, a small craft, first took refuge at Nanking and came into Shanghai early last year; the others have all been in port since the outbreak of war in Lugust, 1914.

Men returning Rifles to store when going on leave will at the same time return their Oil Bottles and Pull Through or Cleaning Rods.

All ranks are reminded that the Armoury is open every Tuesday and Friday evenings from 5.15 to 6 p.m. when Sergeant Fisher will attend to any defects in Rifles and will issue or receive Rifles and Cleaning gear as required.

Preparatory to issue of Winter Uniform, Equipment officers will made the for nine full days. The principal witness following separate returns to

Uniform has yet been issued.

but which requires exchange or before September 15th next. BAND PRACTICES FOR SEPTEMBER AT 6 P.M.

The delegates of the Miners' Friday, 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th. uesday, 11th, 18th and 25th. ORCHESTRA PRACTICES FOR SEPTEMBER

> Monday, 10th, 17th, and 24th. MUSIC CLASS FOR SEPTEMBER AT 8 P.M. Wednesday, 12th, Wednesday, 19th, Thursday, 20th, Wednesday 26th. DRUMMERS AND BUGLERS PRACTICES.

Wednesday, September 5th, 12th, 19th 26th, Friday, September 7th, 14th, 21st, (Sgd.) T. F. HOUGH A.S.P. (R.)

Monday, September, 10th, 17th, 24th,

Krupp's employees at the end

RUSSIAN AMAZONS FOR THE FRONT.

SIX-FOOT WOMEN OF THE NAVAL GUARD.

HAIR CUT CLOSE AND IN MEN'S

PETROCRAD, July 4.

On the opposite side of the square was massed a similar but large "Battalion of

This information was contained in a telegram received by Mr. Sah, Commissioner for Foreign Affairs, late on Wednesday night. When asked for particulars yesterday, Mr. Sah said that he had not been informed of the name of the new company nor of the terms of the charter.

"DEATH BETTER THAN SHAME." Many Cossacks stationed in the backprovided that the handling of Chinese ground stood up in their saddles in order not to miss any details of the ceremony. Among the inscriptions to be seen on the various banners were: "Among Cossacks there are no desertors," and "Don't be-

WOMEN WAR HEROES.

Women fighters have through Russia's history figured in all great patriotic rallies when the national cause was at stake. Hundreds of women fought in the Russian ranks in the Napoleonic War, and it is said that to-day there is lardly a regiment in the Russian army without one

without one or two women warriors. This is the first time, however, that Amazon units have been formed.

Valorous deeds have been performed by the Jussian emulators of Joan of Are during this war. There was Sister Myra Ivanovna, who, when the regiment to which she was attached was onthanked and the officers had all fallen, rallied the soldiers in a successful dash on the enemy trench and died in the moment of victory. Many other Russian nurses have been killed or have died of wounds sustained in bravely succouring the sustained in bravely succouring the soldiers under fire.

Marie Smirnoff, a girl Cosssack of 21 has won the medal of St. George and two St. George's Crosses for courageous action, after being promoted to non-commissioned rank for taking prisoner an Austrian officer of the General Staff. Anna Zeppek enlisted as an "ambulance man "when the war began; but it did not satisfy "her," and she received permission to join the combatant forces. She was wounded and captured in the great retreat, and while a prisoner was sentenced to death as a spy, but the sentence was not carried out, and she was afterwards released. While captivity she threw hot soup in the face of an Austrian officer who tried to make

SOAP LAW-SUIT.

love to her. She was given the St.

George's Cross for bravery in the capture

of a machine gun and five men.

LEVER BROS. ACTION AGAINST BRUNNER, MOND AND CO

A settlement was announced on July '3th in Mr Justice Atkin's court in the King's Bench in the soup law-suit, in which the plaintiffs, Associated Enterprises, Limited, of Liverpool, a company controlled by Lever Brothers, of Port Sunlight, had sued Brunner, Mond, and Co., the well-known chemical manufacturers, of Norwich, in respect of breach by the defendants of an agreement of

The case had turned on certain acts of the defendants with regard to the husinesses in China of Messrs. William Gossage and J. Crosfield, which it, was suggested were contrary to the agreement, but the defendants had denied doing anything opposed to its terms.

The case had been before the Cour for the plaintiffs was Lord Leverhulme Sir John Simon, K.C., leading counsel (1) Collar number, rank, name and unit for the plaintiffs, said that an arrangeof members to whom no Winter ment had been come to that was entirely satisfactory to themselves and to the Similar particulars respecting those defendants, and he was glad that the in possession of Winter Uniform matter had been settled in an amicable

His Lordship said he was not surprised These returns are to be made on or that the eminent business men representing the firms in this case had composed their differences, especially as they were still in business relations with one another. He consented to the proceedings being stayed on the terms agreed upon between the parties.

CHINA AND THE WAR.

will discuss to-day the question whether

RECRUITING TO BE STARTED The War Commission it is understood

China is to actually join the war at once, When a decision is made it will be sub mitted to the Cabinet for approv-1 Sentiment for war is very strong in certain influential circles although there seems very little knowledge as to

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It has been the ambition of many thinking Chinese to convert the silver currency into one on gold basis. what will be demanded of China once view of the immense losses incurred war becomes a reality. One the proposals connexion with the various loans and suggested by the Government is to indemnities caused by exchange prior to establish recruiting stations in the the war and the practical impossibility to several northern provinces: General Chin secures, loan on gold basis since the out Yun-pang may be appointed Recycling break of war in Europe some people think Commissioner General It is not known | the time has come for China to actually whether it is the desire of the Covern-I carry out the gold currency experiment. ment to send the recruits after a brief Hitherto the main obstacle has been the medicine for diarrhoes dynantery, colic.

silver tael the Minister of Finance is seriously thinking of securing enough gold to start a gold currency. Mr Linng Chi-chao, Minister of Finance, who is known to be an enthusiastic advocate of gold currency, is reported to be making investigations to see if his pet theory can now be put into effect. A report anys that he is bent upon carrying out his theory. Further steps will be watched with great interest .- Peking Gazette.

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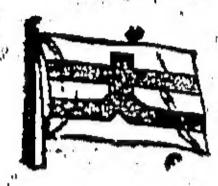
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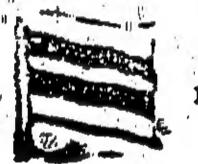
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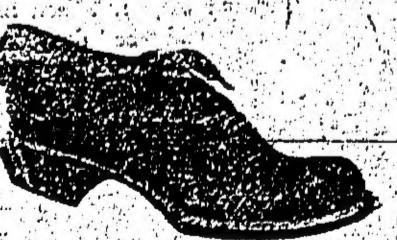
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The statement complained of was contained in a paragraph appearing in the Weekly Disputch," which a ran as

KITCHEN AND THE AUDIENCE.

The other night Fred Kitchen thought of a good way of adding to the anusement of the audience of the London Opera House, so he made himself comfortable in a box when he was not appearing, and applicated vigorously After the show he made a tardy reappearance in his dressing-room, and reserved the following notes apparently from Mr. 9 Oswald Stolly-" Will you please refrain from such tealish actions as going in front of the house? Your engagement is for behind the footlights; Any future offence will mean instant dismissal." And Fred is now wondering whether the letter is a hour or not, The defence was a denial of publication, that the occasion was privileged, and, alternatively, that the words were true in substance and in fact.

Mr. Rose-Prines, K.C., and Mr. Daughty appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Highy Swife, K.C., and Mr. Eustace Hill for the defendants.

BILLY MERSON'S BRILLIANT IDEA.

Mr. Rose-Innes said that some time last September plaintiff was engaged at the London Opera House by Mr. Oswald Stoll to take part in a revue called "Look Who's I Here! "On the glath of the month he was in his dressing-room when another member of the company. Mr Billy Merson, correctved an idea in the nature, of a joke. Somebody brought in a letter written on the note-paper usually used by Mr. Stolk. "

It appeared that a few days before, plaintiff occupied a box in the house witness part of the performance when he was not on the stage himself. When the letter was delivered Mr. Webb, the representative of the newspaper, was there and had the letter shown him." Later, Mr. Merson came in the room and Island, and Batavia, and they started plaintiff told him about the letter. Mr. Merson afterwards said it was a joke of

Plaintiff, giving evidence, stated that had been a congelian for some forty He was the owner of several sketches, and it was, important his character should not be assailed. Mr Merson introduced him to Mr. Webb

when they came into his dressing-room. Cross-examined, witness said he had not been in a box that night.". The letter came a night or two after her was in the box with Billy Merson. They were bothin funny evening dress, and thought they went into the box they could get a laugh, which was very hard to do at the Opera House. (Laughter). Mr. Merson suggested going into the box.

LOOK WHO'S HERE." His Lordship: In order to buck things

Plaintiff: Yes.

Mr. Swift: I suppose everybody said when they saw you in the box, " Look who's here." (Laughter.)

Continuing, witness said he did not think the management would object "if they got some good laughs.

Mr. Swift's Taking such risks makes great"men? (Laughter.)

Plaintiff: We were not there for five seconds. We were in very funny evening dress, and Mr. 'Merson, being small and I being a big man, it was a funny idea. We wanted to make it appear we were two Johnnies just come into

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His Lordship: People would not laugh at the play, and this brilliant idea struck Mr. Merson, and this brought the house down? (Laughter.)

"Plaintiff's Well, they got a good laugh. Continuing, he said be did not object to the jake, but he objected to the letter being published. He never gave permission for it to be published,

His bardships Desymethink unless you give permission this case will not be published? (Laughter.)

Plaintiff: It does not matter much. It is a saying in the perfession that every. body sees a bad notice, but nobody ever serve a grieal ourse

This was plaintiff's case and, Mr. Arthur 7 abb, a journalist, now serving in an officers' cades corps, said he wrote the part. He was in the plaintiff's dressirig-room with Mr. Merson when the eletter was read. Afterwards plaintiff hunded himsthe letter and said, "Here's some copy for you." After that he wrote the paragraph complained of.

The jury returned a verdiet for the defendants, and judgment was entered accordingly .- " Pall Mall Gazette."

CABLE SERVICE AND THE WAR.

THE EMPEN AT COCOS.

" The Zodine," published from Electra-House, the headquarters of the Eastern Telegraph and Associated Companies, gives us some account of what the cable stations have done and had to submit to in the war. " Very little," says the editor, " is popularly known of the submurine cables or of the men who work them." but some very calightening stories of what they have gone through with many excellent illustrations is now provided. The story that appeals to us most is the Cocos raid, and as the account is in different vein to that which has been regorded already we append it:--

A look-out had for many months been kept at Cocos, andpat 6 a.m. on Monday. November 9th, 1914, the Emden was sighted at the catrance to the lagoon. She immediately sent ashore in a hunch three officers and four nuchine guns. This landing party quickly split up into three sections, each under an, officer, Mr Peter Bell rushed the quarters and the office, placed Mr W. Bertenshaw the staff under guard, and proceeded as Mr J. D. Birrell rapidly as possible to the destruction of Mr S. T. Bitting Cocos as a cable station. The office was wrecked very thoroughly? with every dis- Mr W. Steele Boyce Mr J. R. H. Mason goverable instrument and electrical Capt & Mrs Branch Mr J., W. Mayhew appliance. The wireless_maspwas blasted with dynamite. Parties went through the various outbuildings and destroyed Mr D. E. CapplemanMr H. van Meirles the engine-room, dynamos, switch-boards | Mr E. A. Chandoin Mr J. Merecki and cubies, the wireless hat with its accessories, and the unoffending seismograph housed on the out-skirts of the

There, are three cubles at Cocos, one; each to Perth (Australia), Rodrigues Mr Geo, E. Costello Oakes MrGeo, L. CourtenayMr Olsen the shore ends with handsaw, but with little result, and axes and files brought into use. It was the purpose of this raid to put Cocos out of action as point of through communication, and is clear that if any two of these cables were out that purpose was achieved. Whether because of this, or because they feared to delay, can only be guesswork, but they were content to hack through Mrs B. O. Elting two cables. And of the two that they hacked through, fortunately enough, one was a dummy. It is a very jolly thing Mr A. Feregan to record that the Emden was taken in hy a ruse of her-own. Evidently the cablemen at Cocos thought that if corsair might have a dummy funnel, w cable station might just as well have dummy cable. So they had a short length of spare deep-4ea cable, with one end fixed up ashore, and the other laid out little way to seat and it lay there with a sort of foolish dignity until the Huns found it and laid "guthless hands upon it." And as it was naturally slack, and easier than the others to hand in, they cut it in Mr D. S. Hewitt quite a number of places.

Scarcely had they completed this work of destruction to their own satisfaction when they were summoned to return by MrA. Shelton Hooper Watson the Emden's syren. Brilliant as had been Mr L. Hope that, raider's career she had been once and finally outplayed. To quote a Reuter's Mr M. R. de Journel Wilmer message published in London on November 14th " the landing parties of the Dr F. T. Keyt enemy did, indeed, succeed in cutting Mrs A. Lailltwo cubles, which have already been temporarily repaired, but they were too, late, The intelligence which proved so fatal to the Emden's career had already" passed over the wires." By cable and by wireless Cocos had sent out her call unceasingly from the moment the Emden was sighted and recognised till the German sailors found the men at the instruments and ordered them away. H.M.A.S. Mr& MrsF. W. Cary Miss Menezes Sydney had come up in response, and the Miss Cooper, Emden, leaving her boats behind, was Mrs and Miss Correcties Myers destroyed in a running fight which was Mr A. David watched for some time by most of the Sir W. Rees Davies Mr and Mrs G. F. staff. The landing parties returned to the Mr and Mrs Dubois. Nightingale island, and finally got away in the Mr&MrsW. DuinkerDr and Mrs Oldt schooner Ayeshs, the property of Mr. Miss Dulmage Ross, owner of the islands, taking with Mr O. H. Ellis them a goodly half of the station's four Mr.F. W. Evans months provisions. The staff at Cocos were the recipients of Mrs E. Gaudiot

many congratulations, including a resolution of the Extension Board, a letter from the Colonial Secretary, and one from the Committee of Lloyds; and handsome gold Mrs B. A. Zmith watches, suitably inscribed, were prosented by the Admiralty to the super- Dr and Mrs Hooker Mrs A. Souza Intendent and to the company's medical officer, who helped to succour the Emden's wounded. The station resumed Mrs Landry working within 24 hours. The loneliness but we can mone the less appreciate the intention. This was the end of the raid, as well as al one of the raiders.

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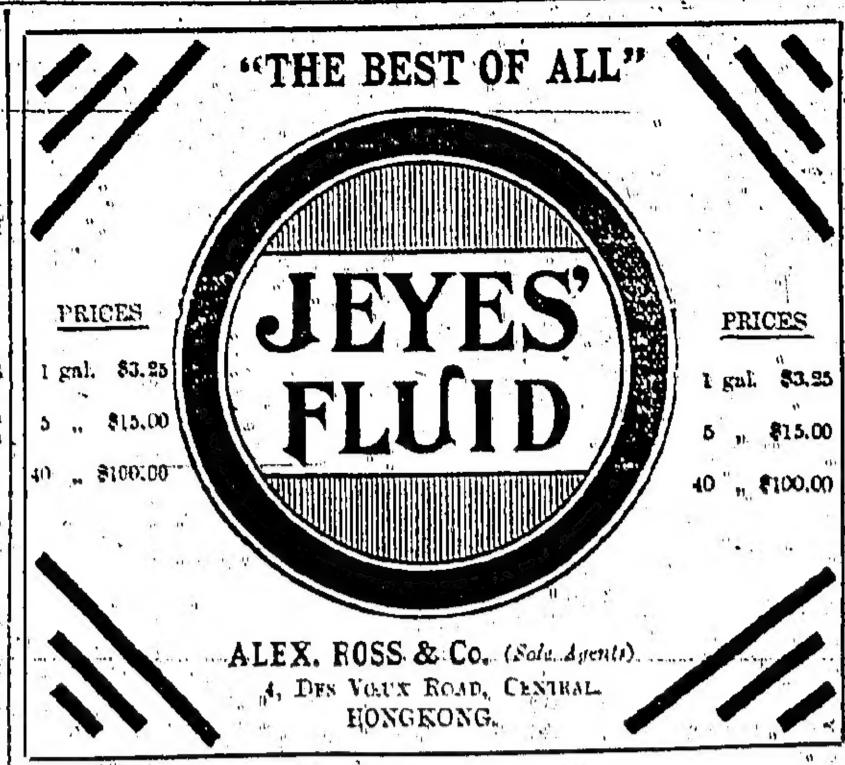
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New Local and Non-Local Storm Codes were introduced at Hongkong on 1st July, 1917, in place No. 1. of the old Local Code, and the China Coast Code. ...

The principal change in the Local subjects in China, Siam, Liberia, Portu- Code is that the new signals will show guese East' Africa, Persia and Morocco | the direction from which the gale is expected, whereas the old signals showed the position of the typhoon. The latter will be indicated, as hereto-The Services to Germany, Austria, fore, by the Non-Local Signals. The new Local Code is given below :-

> DAY SIGNALS. 1-Red cone, point upward, will mean a typhoon exists which may possibly cause a gale at Hongkong within 24 hours.

2-Black cone point upward-Gale expected from the North (N.W. to 3-Black cone point downward-Gale

expected from the South (S.E. to 4-Black drum-Gale expected from

the East (N.E. to S.E.); 5-Black ball-Gale expected from the West (N.W. to S.W.) " 6-Two black cones, top one point

down, bottom"one point up,-Gale expected to increase. 7-Black cross-Wind of typhoon force expected (any direction). Signal No. 7 will be accompanied by

three explosive bombs, fired at intervals 5.00 P.M. of 10 seconds at the Water Police Station and repeated at the Harbour The signals will be lowered when it is considered that all danger is over. The Day Signals will be displayed at

WEEK-DAYS SUNDAYS & the mosthead of the storm signal mast HOLIDAYS on Blackhead Hill, the Harbour Office, $\begin{cases} 7.30 \text{ A.M.} \\ 1.30 \text{ P.M.} \end{cases} 8.30 \text{ A.M.} \begin{cases} 7.30 \text{ A.M.} \\ 1.30 \text{ P.M.} \end{cases}$ H.M.S. Tamar, Green Island signal mast, the flagstaff on the premises of the Canton ... {7.30 A.M. 9.30 P.M. {7.31 A.M. 9.3 P.M. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company at Kowloon, the Tung9.30 P. M. 9.30 P.M. 9. P.M. flagstaff on the premises of the Standard Guam 4.2029 88 73 - E 1 o Shek Ki 9.30 P.M 9.30 P.M. 9.30 P.M. Oil Company at Lai-chi-kok, and the Kongmoon .6.00 P.M. 6.00 P.M. 6.00 P.M. flagstaff near the Field Officer's Quarters Kumchuk ...6.00 P.M. 6.00 P.M. 6.00 P.M. at Lyemun. Kaukong ...600 PM. 6.00 PM. 8.00 PM.

NIGHT SIGNALS. (Lamps.) 1 .- White, white, white.

2.—White, green, green. 3 .- Green, white, white. 4.-Green, green, white. 5 .- White, white, green. 6.—Green, green, green.

7.—Red, green, red. The Night Signals will be displayed, at sunset, on the tower of the Railway Station, on H.M.S. Tamar, and on the

Signal No. 7 will be accompanied by dredths. explosive bombs as above, in the event of the information conveyed by this signal being first published at night.

Signal No. 1 is "intended as a warning to "Stand By " and watch for the next signal." When it is hoisted after a black signal has been displayed it will mean that, on account of a change in the track of the typhoon, or for some other reason, a gale is no longer expected from the direction indicated by the las signal, and that another black signal may pos-

SUPPLEMENTARY WARNINGS. When local signals are displayed in the Harbour, a Cone will be exhibited at the following stations :- Gap Rock, Waglan, Stanley, Aberdeen, Sau Ki Wan, Sai Kung, Sha Tau Kok, Tai Po Hongkong, Observatory, Sept. 4, 1917. to notify the fact to native craft and passing ocean ressels, on demand b signal from lighthouses.

and also warnings of expected changes in abnormally. the direction and force of the wind. In the new Non-Local Code the I'r.m. approximate velocity of the storm 17.34. 29.60 ments of typhoons and to insufficient centre will be shown in addition to it Estates and the position of strain to the position of strains and the position of

WEATHER REPORT.

September 3rd 20% 5m - Warning to Hongkong, Manila and Coast Ports :--Typhoon in Lat. 16" N. Long. 110" E., moving West at 8 to 12 mlp, h. September 4cl. 115, 48m. Lat. 17° N. Long., 108 E. moving W.N.W. at 8 to 12 map.h.

September 4d. 11h. 32m.-No returns from Japan and Vladivostock. Pressure has decreased moderately over Annam. and with few exceptions, has increased slightly elsewhere. At 6 s.m. this morning the typhoon was situated in Lat."17 N. Long. 108" E., moving W.N.W.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.54 inch. Total since January 1st, 79.53 inches, against an average of 67.25 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on the 5th September :-1.-Hongkong to Gap Rock : E. und S. E. winds, fresh teloudy and showery

generally. 2, Formosa Channel: S. E. winds, moderate. 3.—South coast of China between

-South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan :-The same as

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ROYAL OBSERVATORY HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

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T. F. CLAXTON, Director. Hongkong Observatory, Sept. 4, 1917. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

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2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade, in de grees Fahrenheit. 3 HUMIDITY, in percentage of a bura-tion, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100. 4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.

. 5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Bes word Scale. 6 STATE OF WEATHER, b blue sky, c Harbour Office flagstaff. They will g gloomy, h hail, I lightning, o ov reast, have the same signification as the day p passing showers, q squal, r rain 1 snow t thunder. v visibility w dew wet). RAIN in inches, tenths and hun-

> HONGKONG REGISTER. On date at On date at

Barometer ... 29, 64 Temperature Humidity 81 E Wind..... Force Tighest open all Temperature on the 7rd 86 Lowest open air Temperature on the 4th 79 F. CLEITIB Director.

The object of the code is to give at in the case of typhoons forming in the least 24 hours warning of a gale (Force vicinity and travelling rapidly towards 8 by Beaufort Scale, or 40-45 m.p.b., Hongkong, or of a located typhoon mean velocity by Dines Anemometer) increasing its rate of progression

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